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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for an extension of ONE (1) month to respond to the OFFICE ACTION mailed on NOVEMBER 1, 2001.

Because of this extension the time period for response will expire on MARCH 1, 2002. Filed herewith is a complete response.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 14-1270 in the amount of \$110.00 the fee for this extension; and charge any additional fees except for the Issue Fee, and credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 14-1270.

Respectfully submitted,

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